Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for sending a message, the method comprising:

receiving a message from a sender to a recipient, the message being sent by a first device that communicates in a first protocol;

determining a recipient identifier for the recipient for the message, the recipient identifier usable to determine a plurality of device types that are associated with the recipient;

determining the plurality of device types associated with the recipient using the recipient identifier, wherein device identifiers are associated with the plurality of device types;

dynamically determining a device type in the plurality of device types in which to send the message in response to receiving the message from the sender; and

sending the message to the device identifier associated with the determined device type, the message being received in a second protocol by a second device that communicates in the second protocol.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein dynamically determining the device type comprises determining the device type based on content of the message.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising determining communication capabilities for device types in the plurality of device types, wherein determining the device type comprises determining the device type based on the communication capabilities for the plurality of device types.

4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising determining one or more preferences associated with the recipient, wherein dynamically

determining the device type comprises determining the device type based on the one or more preferences.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising determining presence information for the recipient, wherein dynamically determining the device type comprises determining the device type based on the presence information.

6. (Currently Amended) A method for sending a message, the method comprising:

receiving a message from a sender to a recipient;

determining a recipient identifier for the recipient for the message, the recipient identifier usable to determine a plurality of device types that are associated with the recipient;

determining the plurality of device types associated with the recipient using the recipient identifier, wherein device identifiers are associated with the plurality of device types;

dynamically determining a device type in the plurality of device types in which to send the message in response to receiving the message from the sender; and

sending the message using ~~to~~ the device identifier associated with the determined device type,

~~The method of claim 5,~~ wherein the device type is determined based on presence information that indicates a device for the device type is active.

Claims 7-9. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein dynamically determining the device type comprises:

determining a communication type in which to send the message; and

determining the device identifier associated with the communication type.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the received message does not specify the device identifier.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the received message is addressed to a different device identifier than the device identifier of the sent message.

11. (Currently Amended) A method for sending a message, the method comprising:

receiving a message from a first user for a second user, the message being sent by a first device that communicates using a first protocol;

determining a user identifier for the recipient for the message, the user identifier usable to determine a plurality of device types that are associated with the recipient;

determining a device type in the plurality of device types associated with the second user using the identifier;

determining a format associated with the determined device type;

determining if the message needs to be adapted to the determined format;

if the message does need to be adapted, performing the steps of

adapting the message to the determined format; and

sending the adapted message to the determined device;

if the message does not need to be adapted, sending the message to a device identifier for the determined device type, [[.]]

whereby the message is received by a second device, and where the second device uses a second protocol then the message is received by the second device in the second protocol.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the format comprises at least one of a short message system (SMS), email, instant message (IM), and voice message format.

14. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein adapting the message comprises adapting content of the received message to content compatible with the determined format.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, ~~17,~~ wherein the received message does not specify the determined device identifier.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, ~~17,~~ wherein the received message is addressed to a different device identifier than the device identifier of the sent message.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein determining the device type comprises using at least one of content of the message, communication capabilities for the plurality of device types, one or more preferences associated with the second user, and presence information for devices in the plurality of device types associated with the second user.

19. (Currently Amended) A device configured to route messages for a plurality of users, the device comprising:

a receiver configured to receive a message from a first user in the plurality of users, the first user using a first device communicating using a first protocol;

an identifier module configured determine a user identifier for the second user for the message, the user identifier usable to determine device types that are associated with the second user;

a device type determiner configured to determine a device type in one or more device types associated with the second user in the plurality of users, the device type determined using the identifier; and

a sender configured to send the message to a device identifier associated with the determined device for the second user, the message being received in a second protocol by the determined device, the determined device communicating using the second protocol.

20. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 19, wherein the device type is determined based on at least one of communication capabilities of the one or more device types, one or more preferences associated with the second user, and presence information for device types in the plurality of device types associated with the second user.

21. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 19, further comprising a formatter configured to format the received message to a format compatible with the determined device type.

22. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 19, further comprising a database configured to store information for one or more device types associated with the plurality of users.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) A system for sending messages, the system comprising:

a plurality of users, each user associated with one or more device types;

a message router configured to route messages from a first user to a second user, the message router comprising:

a receiver configured to receive a message from the first user;

an identifier module configured determine a user identifier for the second user for the message, the user identifier usable to determine device types that are associated with the second user;

a device determiner configured to determine a device type in the plurality of device types associated with the second user, the device type determined using the identifier; and

a sender configured to send the message to a device identifier associated with the determined device type for the second user, [[.]]

<u>wherein in message is generated by a first device that communicates in a first protocol and received in a second protocol by a second device that communicates in the second protocol.</u>

25. (Canceled)

26. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 24, wherein the first user comprises a device type that communicates in a communication type of at least one of email, SMS, MMS, IM, and voice.

27. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 24, wherein the communication types associated with the one or more device types comprises at least one of email, SMS, MMS, IM, and voice.

30. (Currently Amended) A method for sending a message to a recipient, the method comprising:

receiving a message from a sender to a recipient, the message being addressed to a username for the recipient;

determining a plurality of addresses associated with the recipient using the username, wherein the username for the recipient is different from the plurality of addresses associated with the recipient and the plurality of addresses being addresses in which the recipient can receive messages;

dynamically determining an address in the plurality of addresses in which to send the message in response to receiving the message from the sender; [[and]]

converting the message from a first protocol to a second protocol, where a first device sending the message communicates using the first protocol and a second device to receive the message communicates using the second protocol; and

sending the message to the determined address for the recipient.

31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the plurality of addresses are associated with a plurality of device types.

32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 31, wherein the plurality of addresses are sent through different communication channels to the plurality of device types.

33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the recipient identifier is different from the device identifier.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the user identifier is different from the device identifier.

35. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 21, wherein the user identifier is different from the device identifier.

36. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 26, wherein the user identifier is different from the device identifier.